TO TRANSFER CANAL PROPERTY

THE \$40,000,000 TO BE PAID IN GOLD AND SENT TO FRANCE.

Representatives of the Company and of This Government Going to Paris to Perfect Details of the Transfer-It May Take From Thirty to Sixty Days.

WASHINGTON, March 6 .- William Nelson Cromwell, general counsel of the New Panama Canal Company of France, will sail for Paris on Saturday, and Charles A. Russell, special assistant Attorney-General. representing the United States, will go a few days later. Together they will perfect details of the transfer of the canal property and rights to the Government of the United States, and after their return to this country no part of the big transaction will remain undone except the payment of the \$40,000,000 to the canal company.

This money, contrary to general expectation, will be paid entirely in gold and shipped to France. There is cause to believe that the desire of the Canal company, several of whose members are close to the French Government, to have the obligation paid in gold, is to enable France to be prepared for the most serious emergency that may arise in connection with French participation in the Russo-Japanese

Less than half a million dollars of the securities of the canal company are said to be owned in the United States, so the great bulk of the \$40,000,000 payment in e form of gold will be shipped to France. The transfer of the canal property to the United States will involve a great amount of labor, and it may take as long as sixty days, "from thirty to sixty days," Attorney-General Knox said to-night.

A published report that there has been a serious hitch in the negotiations for the transfer of the property called forth denials from Attorney-General Knox and William Nelson Cromwell to-night. Mr. Knox said there was absolutely no obstacle, but that there were naturally many details to be attended to, such as the careful inventory and checking up of property.

It was admitted to-day that the Treasury Department had proceeded a little more rapidly than was necessary in the preparations for paying over the money to the Republic of Panama and to the canal company. The funds will be withdrawn from the national bank depositories between now and March 25, but the inventory of property will not be completed by that time.

Secretary of the Treasury Shaw offered resterday rather prematurely to pay over the money immediately to the canal company, but it was represented to him that he payment should hardly be made before the Government is in possession of a com-plete inventory and title, and is ready to take charge of the construction work now going on under the French company on the Isthmus. Cromwell made the following state-

ment to-night:
"No hitch has arisen in the closing of titles; no sudden discovery on the part of officials of the Government has been made upon any subject; for there is nothing not already known by them. No lack of authority to close the transaction exists, and no time limit of any sort whatever has been set by anybody for the delivery of the property. The precise condition of the title and the authority of the company it has been explaintly averaged. title and the authority of the company to convey it has been exhaustively examined by the Attorney-General and has been found satisfactory in every respect. The suit brought by Colombia in Paris has been carefully examined by us all and is without any basis. It will undoubtedly be promptly dismissed by the court and no serious importance is attached to it.

• "I absolutely refused to grant Colombia's written demands for 60,000,000 francs from the canal company when the Hay-Herran treaty was pending, and I shall continue to refuse to pay her a penny as a price for peace in her pending groundless suit in Paris.

clombia having been defeated on the

actual transfer of the property of the Panama Canal and Panama Rail-road companies in Paris and on the Isth-mus involves many formalities, which, of course, could not be undertaken until after the final conclusion of the treaty between the United States and Panama only ten days ago. The magnitude of such a transaction concerning property and interests located in two continents necessarily requires time, while the final meeting and dissolution of the company in Paris, at which the necessary documents will be presented, must by law be held upon a stated notice. This meeting will be held on April 20, the earliest practicable date, especially in view of the fact that the Easter holidays occur in France between March 27 and April 11.

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"It has all along been well understood by this Government that from thirty to sixty days would be required to carry out all these details and to verify the invenall these details and to verify the inventories, which embrace 15,000 items. No one will suppose that the Attorney-General, who passes upon the legal questions, and the Secretary of the Treasury, who makes the payment, would propose to act without having been fully satisfied upon these points and receiving proper title deeds and possession, nor would they have proceeded to this point without being fully aware of the legal situation.

aware of the legal situation.
"My trip to Paris, for which place I sail on the 12th instant, is made in connection with this work, and it has been known with this work, and it has been known for some time to all concerned that I was going there for the purpose of arranging and hastening all formalities for the transfer, and that Mr. Russell, special Assistant Attorney-General, would follow soon afterward to cooperate to this end. While we are thus concluding the legal formalities of closing the transaction of purchase, no time will be lost to the United States, for I have arranged that the new Isthmian Canal Commission shall in the meantime be assured of all facilities upon the Isthmus necessary for its purposes, and the members of the commission, of which Admiral Walker is chairman, will sail for the Isthmus on the 22d or 29th instant, and begin their studies and examinations as fully as if the title had already been passed, as it if the title had already been passed, as probably will be done before they return. "Having devoted six years to the con-summation of this work, I contemplate with pardonable satisfaction the successful establishment of the Panama cause and

can give assurance that within a very brief time the United States will be possessed of the titles and property of the New Panama Canal Company, and thus fulfil the hope of four centuries."

BUNAU-VARILLA OUT OF IT. No Concern in Canal Construction Morally,

Intellectually or Financially. M. Philippe Bunau-Varilla, who as Minister of Panama to Washington paid his last official visit to Secretary Hay on Saturday, was at the Waldorf-Astoria yesterday.

day, was at the Waldorf-Astoria yesterday. He said last night:

"I have accomplished my mission and I have no desire to, don't expect to and will not be concerned hereafter in the construction of the canal, in no capacity and neither morally, intellectually nor financially. My home is in Paris, and I shall go there and think of something else."

Regarding the delay in the paying over by this Government of \$10,000,000 to J. P. Morgan & Co., fiscal agents of 'Panama, because of certain legal technicalities, the diplomat said:

There were certain details which should have been attended to before this."

M. Bunau-Varilla, whose appointment when it was made was understood to be only temporary, will be succeeded as Min-ister of Panama by Dr. Pablo Arosemena. He will sail on Thursday for Paris.

LIVE TOPICS ABOUT TOWN.

Although she was known only as Made noiselle and Miss in the later days of her long career, Matilda Bauermeister was one of the singers who might rightfully have been called Madame or Mrs. She was married first during the early days of her stage life to the son of a wealthy Swiss hotelkeeper who had gone to London to learn English.

The young couple returned to his home in Geneva, but were not happy long, and parental opposition to the marriage eventually led to a separation. Mme. Bauer-meister returned to London and to her work, and her husband stuck to his hotel in Geneva. He came to notice last when the Empress Elizabeth, who was a guest at his hotel, was assassinated on the quay

Mme. Bauermeister sang with success in her profession and after a few years married a singer who is now a vocal teacher in New York. They made several attempts at management, which exhausted the soprano's savings and led to their ultimate separation. The opinion of her colleagues of the little woman who has just retired was shown by the number of flowers she received from her more distinguished sisters. Most of them sent her bouquets.

The combination of business and filial respect recently shown by a Wall Street firm lends a glow of domesticity to the usually unsympathetic course of commercial life. The head of a firm of brokers died not long ago. The daily bulletins of the firm sent out to their customers since that sad event have been surrounded with a deep mourning band. Such exhibitions of feeling are rare in business in the Street This instance of family grief in the midst of business may not be so tasteful as the esthetic exodus of a young society matron from mourning, but it is quite as novel. This youthful beauty has surprised her friends by the varied shades of purple that surround her stationery. They began, as her period of mourning came to en end, in deepest hues of violet. As the duration of her period of grief grew shorter, the of her period of grief grew shorter, color gradually became lighter, and her early return to all the pleasures of the world is now foreshadowed by bands of palest mauve about her writing paper.

The theatrical magnate invited his visitor to a seat. "But you are about to take your lunch,"

said the visitor. "That will make no difference," replied the manager. "I have sent out for it, but

The visitor pictuered to himself what the luncheon of such a power in the world of amusements would be. Nothing short of canvas back duck and Burgundy seemed possible for such a great man. Presently a colored man returned bearing a yellow paper bag. It contained three bananas. "I told you to get only two," said the manager, beginning to peel one critically.
"They was three for five," answered the
man, handing him back the change from Cents. "So it was just as cheap."

Then the manager consumed the costly

An out of town botel man anxious to break into the New York circle, bought out not many years ago an established prosperity. That failed and the proprieprosperity. That failed and the proprietor, whose personal popularity had made the fortunes of the hotel, stepped out. For several years he had no hotel. Only last week he opened a new establishment which had been built for him. The new hotel was so certain, in the mind of his successor, to absorb all the business that remained for the old one, that the new-comer sold out at the first opportunity. That came, luckily for him, the day before the new hotel was opened to the fore the new hotel was opened to the public. Such a prompt retreat had rarely been witnessed here and hotel men are still amused at the celerity with which the new proprietor ducked as soon as his predecessor came into the field again.

There are to be more concert tours than ever next season in spite of the fact that presidential election year is not regarded as the best period f or musical enterprises It is commonly understood that Mme. Calve's tour is to be financed by the leading Isthmus and in its subsequent efforts to force the United States to pay money indemnity, has as a last resort sought to delay at Paris the transer of title, and thus endeavor to force the United States to terms. No consideration will be paid to this proceeding. clusion that the French soprano would return here, as she has been abroad so long that a long American tour is necessary. Mme. Eames is also to return to sing in concert, although there has been some concert, although there has been some talk of her appearance at the Metropolitan, where she has been sadly missed this year. She is the only one of the noted prima donnas who has not yet sung through the country, and the venture ought to be profitable. Mme. Melba is also to come again. The season just closing has been very successful. Neither singers nor managers have ever earned so much.

A poorly dressed woman walked down Fifth avenue yesterday afternoon. Her clothing was neat, but her figure wretchedly shrunken and meagre. In front of a house near Thirty-ninth street a piece of cake had been dropped on the sidewalk and had broken into small pieces. Her eyes spied it, and, darting over to where the pieces lay, she kept guard over them until she thought nobody was in sight. Then she picked up the pieces carefully, turned into the side street and devoured the cake ravenously.

A similar trick is a familiar device of panhandlers, but they always seize their bit of food in public and eat it ostentatiously. The woman on Fifth avenue yesterday seemed anxious to conceal what she was doing, and did all but succeed in escaping attention.

A solitary member was reading in the library of one of the clubs in Fifth avenue and a carpenter came in to make some repairs to the window before which the repairs to the window before which the member was sitting. When the member perceived his purpose he moved to another window and resumed the perusal of his book. Presently he was startled by a touch on his arm.

"I just wanted to thank you for moving, sir," said the carpenter. "You're a gentleman. Them members downstairs with brass buttons all over their coats is hogs. They made me wait for half an hour."

"Why women persist in perfuming themselves with everything from attar of roses down to plain perfume, with the accent on the first syllable, is beyond me," growled a crusty bachelor. "There isn't a restaurant in town where a man can dine with positive assurance that his dinner won't be permeated with concentrated odor of last year's gardenias from the next table. It isn't confined to the sort of women you'd think

it would be, either. it would be, either.

"The other day while I was in a druggist's an eminently respectable looking woman came in and, unscrewing an aigrette she had brought with her, asked the clerk to put a drop of attar of roses in it. The clerk went about it as if it were a regular thing.

thing.

"'And now,' she said, removing her hat,
'if you'll just put a drop on my hair.'

"At that point I made a dive for the street
and took a good long breath of fresh air.

Just think of the quantity of castile soap
she could have bought for the price of two
drops of that stuff."

President and Mrs. Roosevelt Attend Centennial Services.

WASHINGTON, March 6 .- President and Mrs. Roosevelt and the British Ambassador and Lady Durand were among those present this afternoon at the services held in St John's Church at the request of the American Bible Society in commemoration of the centennial of the British and Foreign Bible Society. President Gilman of the American Bible Society made the introductory remarks and Justice Brewer of the Supreme Court and Senator Dolliver of Iowa delivered brief addresses. The benediction was pronounced by Bishop Satteriae.

DOGS IN THE RAIDED HOUSE. FACTORY LIFE MADE BETTER Capt. Tighe's Party Find Unexpected In

THINGS FOR WHICH EMPLOYERS SHOULD BE COMMENDED.

Labor Commissioner McMackin Says Many Employers Have Introduced Features That Add to the Comfort of Employees and Elevate Their Standard of Life.

ALBANY, March 6 .- In his annual report o be submitted to the Legislature to-morrow State Labor Commissioner McMackin has departed from his usual custom. He has found that there are some things for which employers should be commended. He refers to the improvements made as required by the factory laws, and says:

There are many employers who, besides conforming to all these enactments have exceeded the requirements of the factory aws by introducing in their establishment series of commendable features that have ployees, but have tended to elevate their standard of life by promoting their physical, social, moral and intellectual well being, These welfare institutions have naturally created a better understanding between em loyer and employed, all other labor conditions being equal, engendering a spirit of amity, resulting in improved workmanship, and yielding larger returns on the commer-

cial side of the project. To gain the necessary knowledge as to the extent and effect of this movement to melior-ate industrial conditions in other directions than the granting of higher wages or shorter working hours and compliance with the statutory provisions already referred to, the Department of Labor, in 1903, undertook a special inquiry into the subject, confining ts efforts to firms and companies having more than thirty workers. The investiga-tion embraced 108 establishments, employing 59.291 persons, that had in successful operaion one or more of the activities that came within the scope of the research. An epitome of these measures follows:

Ministering to the health and comfort of employees by providing washrooms, shower baths, working costumes, laundry facilities, ventilated lockers, bicycle sheds, dressing, dining and lunch rooms, free luncheons, or food at nominal prices, sanitary drinking fountains, medicated drinking water, roof gardens and flower gardens on premises. Constructing costly and beautiful build ngs, with assembly halls and club rooms, in which are introduced diversions of various kinds to foster personal friendliness; estab-

lishing in factories club rooms for social gatherings or meetings, rooms for games, and encouragement of summer outings by contributing generously to funds for that purpose.
Stimulating a desire for physical culture by laying out athletic fields for baseball, lawn tennis and other outdoor spports; setting apart rooms for dancing, drills, calisthenics

apart rooms for dancing, drins, canstiences or gymnastics.

Effecting intellectual and moral improvement by providing kindergartens for children of workmen, free lectures, evening classes, manual training classes, technical instruction, free circulating libraries, reading rooms, concerts, theatrical entertainments, music lessons and planos in work rooms for use of employees. of employees.

Developing the domestic and family life by building improved dwellings, and also giving instruction in sewing, cooking and house-keeping to the young daughters of employees.

Advancing the spiritual side of life by holding devotional services once a week to ac-commodate such employees as may wish

Creating an interest in the busines affairs of concerns by sharing profits with employees, assisting them to become stockholders, paying premiums or bonuses, or awarding prizes for valuable suggestions relating to management, manufacturing, &c.

Encouraging habits of thrift by supplying savings facilities and allowing liberal rates of interest on deposits.

Insurance or beneficiary funds, maintained jointly by employers and employees, for the purpose of rendering financial aid in cases of sickness, accident or death.

Caring for sick or injured workmen by the payment of wages during disablement, defraying expenses for medical attendance or hospital service, maintaining first aid rooms supplied with necessary surgical appliances and medicines for immediate use in accident cases and granting old age or retiring pensions to employees after many years of service.

Protecting work people against fire loss by issuing free insurance policies on their tools.

Among the prominent concerns that, Creating an interest in the busines affairs Among the prominent concerns that,

he says, are conducting welfare work, are the following: National Biscuit Company, R. Hoe & Co., Hammond Typewriter Company, Metropolitan Street Railway Company, and Steinway & Sons, of New York city. fork city.

GRADUATED MORTGAGE TAX.

Tax Commission Thinks It Would Work Larger Equity Than the Present Plan.

ALBANY, March 6.-That a slight annual nortgage tax, graduated to conform with the interest rate would work larger equity than the present plan of taxing mortgages is the opinion expressed by the State Tax Commission in its report to the Legislature. The Commission says:

"Recognition that some method should be found by the Legislature for securing from mortgages some return for the common treasury is constantly widening. In country as in city, this form of property is the most difficult in practice and unsatisfactory in results with which assessors must cope. A graduated tax would yield large revenue for apportionment between local and State treasuries, but above and beyond revenue consideration would be the universal gain in respect for more uniformity of bearing in tax provisions."

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The commission is confident that the United States Supreme Court will affirm the constitutionality of the Special Franchise Tax law. There has been an exceptionally large adjustment of valuations and taxes of paid-in special franchise cases since the Court of Appeals decision upholding the law. The amount of estate exempt from tax stion is \$1.07.992.34. or 20 per cept. of

taxation is \$1.007.992.384, or 20 per cent. of the State total of real estate assessed. The commission finds that there is a strong popular demand in all the States for taxation of the franchises of corpora-tions and a noticeable tendency to change the basis of assessment from gross receipts to an ad valorem basis, and that in the Eastern States there is a growing sentiment in favor of relieving personal property from direct taxation and substituting franchise taxes, excise taxes and inheritance taxes, all of which ultimately involve the taxation of

which diffinately involve the taxation of personal property.

The total increase in the assessment of the wealth of the State during the past year was \$1,598,800,187, of which \$147,541,111 was in personalty. The increase in the city of New York alone will be in realty \$1,420,903,247, and in personalty \$154,485,953.

Judge Parker Suffering From a Cold. ALBANY, March 6 .- Chief Judge Alton B. Parker was confined to his room in the Hotel Ten Eyck nearly all last week with a cold and Judge Denis O'Brien presided in the court, which now is enjoying a week's recess. Judge Parker left for his home in Esopus, Ulster county, on Friday, having about recovered from his indisposition.

GEORGE W. BOYD HONORED. Emperor William Confers on Him the

Decoration of the Order of the Crown. WASHINGTON March 6 .- George W. Boyd, general passenger agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, has received a etter from Baron Speck von Sternburg, German Ambassador at Washington, conveying to him on the part of Emperor William of Germany the decoration of the Order of the Crown. The Ambassador says that the German Emperor has been pleased to bestow upon Mr. Boyd this decoration in remembrance of the valuable assistance rendered to his Royal Highness

assistance rendered to his Royal Highness Prince Henry of Prussia, during his visit to the United States.

The Order of the Crown was instituted in 1861 by William I. to commemorate his coronation as King of Prussia. The badge is a white enameled gold maltese cross, with gold edges and having in the centre the royal crown on a gold field.

mates of a Third Street Resort. One of the few carefully planned raids ever made on Sunday was engineered yesterday by Capt. Tighe, of the Mercer treet station, assisted by six detectives. They smashed into a house at 109 West Third street and bagged five prisoners. The captain and his men had a lively time, for three of the women in the house owner

French bulldogs. The captain started off the expedition with this speech to the raiding party: "The fact that the police don't raid on

Sunday, I am told, has encouraged law-breakers in this district to keep open on that day. Let's fool 'em." that day. Let's fool 'em."

A plain-clothes cop went in advance
of the party. When he passed the Third
street house a woman called to him and
he went in. Shortly afterward the captain
and his men smashed their way in and
arrested Ida Leroy, the proprietor. A
search of the entire house was made and
Detective McCornick showed in the door betective McCormick shoved in the door of a room on the second floor. He found a woman in there and had just told her she was under arrest when a dog got him by the log.

by the leg.

He let out a yell and started for the hall, the dog accompanying. Detectives Walsh and Hennessy had also run across women dog owners and the barking and screaming brought Capt. Tighe upstairs on the run. Finally the dogs were corralled in the basement and the Leroy woman and four others were taken to the station and locked

LOVING CUP TO BAUERMEISTER Fellow Artists Write, Cable, Send Flowers or Visit Her.

The opera subscribers presented a silve loving cup on Saturday to Matilda Bauermeister, who retired from the operation stage in New York on that day. This morning Mile. Bauermeister leaves for

Yesterday she sat in her room in Thirtythird street surrounded by heaps of flowers, reading letters and cablegrams from lay folk and singers, including Nordica, Melba and others well known in the operation

Melba cabled her heartfelt regret at the protégée of hers. Nordica wrote to Mlle. Bauermeister:

Nordica wrote to Mile. Bauermeister:

My Dear Matilda: I cannot realize that
we shall not once again tread the boards together in "Aida," "Il Trovatore," "Nozze
di Figaro," Carmen, "Huguenots," "Traviata," "Rigoletto," "Walkuere," "Flauto
Magico," "Ballo in Maschera," "Mignon,"
'Faust," &c., on to the end—and I'll not
believe it. However, for the present season
I say farewell, dear friend and good comrade.

The letter then refers to past struggles I hope we shall meet in London next ummer. Keep well and keep one of those lowers in remembrance of your affectionate old friend and true admirer.

LILLIAN NORDICA.

Mme. Sembrich asked Mile. Bauermeister
"My dear child, why do you go? You
voice is so pretty and weshall all miss you."
"I want to go while I am still Little Bauermeister," was the reply.

LAST SUNDAY CONCERT.

Close of the Season at the Metropolitan a Triumph for Sembrich.

Managerial luck did not desert Mr. Con ried last night when the final popular concert of the season was given. In spite of bad weather and the presence of a single star, the opera house was crowded to suffocation. The usual phrase had an especial eloquence last night, for the theatre was uncommonly hot and the standees who lined the back of the orchestra seats must have suffered.

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Mme. Sembrich sang, for the first time in seven years, "Bel Raggio" from "Semiramide" and was compelled to break the rules with an encore, for which she sang Loewe's "Niemand hat's Gesehen." Then she gave in the second part of the programme the mad seene from "Lucia di Lammermoor" in the incomparable fashion. Lammermoor" in the incomparable fashion to which she has accustomed the audience at the Metropolitan this winter. In spite of the weather Mme. Sembrich had the to sing Strauss's "Voce di Pri-

mavera" as an encore.

Marguerite Lemon and Isabel Bouton,
Andreas Dippel, who sang in place of Alois
Burgstaller, and Marcel Journet were the
other soloists. The concert took, however, the form of a demonstrative farewell to Mme. Sembrich. Alfred Hertz conducted.

WIDOW'S THREE SONS KILLED.

sine Escaped From the Fire Which De stroyed Their Home-He's Likely to Die. St. John, N. B., March 6.-Three of the four sons of Mrs. Louis Savoie, a poor widow living at Black River, five miles from the town of Buctouche, N. B., were burned to death early yesterday morning. The fourth son managed to escape from the blazing house but not until he had been so severely injured that it is believed

he will die.

Mrs. Savoie lived in a small house, and the older of her boys supported her. When every one was alseep early vesterday morning, the house caught fire from the kitchen stove and before the occupants were awake spread to the upper floor. Mrs. Savoie occupied a bedroom on the ground floor, and escaped. The four boys slept on the second floor, and Joseph, aged 26; Thaddeus, aged 16, and John, aged 12, perished.

SERGEANCIES BY WHOLESALE

GRUBER'S WONDERFUL BILL THREATENS TO PASS.

Police Sergeants Won't "Put Up" to Kill It, but Their Lawyers Will Fight It-Takes Appointing Power From McAdoo -Abolishes Civil Service Exams.

The Abe Gruber bill introduced into the Legislature by Assemblyman Adams, which provides that all New York city patrolmen designated by the City Magistrates as probationary officers shall have the rank and pay of sergeants and be eligible to promotion to captaincies, passed the third reading last Monday night, although all the Republican Assemblymen of New York city, with two exceptions, voted against it. The bill provides that all policemen now serving as probationary officers and all that may hereafter be designated as such shall be come sergeants, and it also provides that

come sergeants, and it also provides that the law limiting the number of sergeants who can be promoted in the regular way through competitive civil service examinations shall be abrogated.

The regular sergeants say that the bill empowers the board of City Magistrates to appoint police sergeants at will, without competitive examination. The promoters of the bill are boasting that Gruber, who has been in Albany, has assured the beneficiaries of the proposed bill that it will go through by the votes of up State Republicans.

The Sergeants' Association held a meet ing yesterday and voted to hire counsel, and if the bill becomes a law to fight it to the Court of Appeals as a violation of the State Constitution. One of the sergeants

state Constitution. One of the sergeants said yesterday:

"There is now a bill pending, introduced by Assemblyman Remsen of Brooklyn, making a woman in Brooklyn a probationary policeman, and if this bill passes and Carth Gruber's bill passes this woman will become a sergeant of police and eligible to a captaincy without any civil service examination. If the Gruber bill passes, the City Magistrates have unlimited authority

to make sergeants out of as many policemen as they choose to pick out."

Special counsel for the Sergeants' and the Roundsmen's associations will go to Albany to fight the bill. They have also enlisted in their behalf the Civil Service

PRAYERS FOR FIRE VICTIMS. Sad Service Yesterday in St. Rita's Church Ravenswood.

At each mass at St. Rita's Church in Ravenswood, Legg Island City, yesterday there was much crying. When prayers were offered for the repose of the dead the members of St. Patrick's Church applied the usual prayer more especially to the souls of Father Herman Ernst and the housekeepers, Mary Brady and Anna McCue, who lost their lives in the fire which on Saturday morning damaged the rectory of that church. No services could be held in St. Patrick's. Father Edward F. Han-nigan, the rector of that Church, who was suffering from pleuro-pneumonia and who had to slide down a plank from an upper window in the rectory, is in St. John's Hospital, Long Island City. He appears to have suffered no great harm from the exposure. Father James Kearney, who had to jump from a window and wescult had to jump from a window and was cut and bruised, is also improving. The funeral of Father Ernst will be held

on Tuesday and the interment will be at St. James's Cemetery in Middle Village. The funerals of the two women will be held this morning. Great crowds visited the scene of the fatal fire yesterday, and there was much discussion over the claim that firemen were not properly equipped with ladders

CHOSE A 310 POUND MODEL. The Corset Show Gets the Services of Staten Island Heavyweight.

A long line of heavyweights stood at the door of the Dressmakers' Convention yesterday afternoon waiting for the arrival of Miss Elizabeth A. C. White. Miss White had advertised for "the fattest barrel shaped woman in New York to serve as model at the corset demonstration.

There were fourteen 300-pounders. Two of them were negresses. One of these announced with an air of superiority:

"Law's sake, chile, I was wif a circum two." "Law's sake, chile, I wus wif a circus two years. Why, honey, I clean broke two scales. I can't set in no ordinery chai." Choice finally fell on a Staten Islander, weight 310. Miss White's press agent issued this typewritten announcement last night: "The corpse of living models has been reorganized. The stout model from Brooklyn has been retired and replaced by a more competent one from Staten Island. a more competent one from Staten Island who is of larger build and weight than her

The public demonstration will occur to-night and it is announced that camera artists, regardless of sex, will be admitted.

MAXINE ELLIOTT'S BIRTHDAY To Spend It With Her Husband, She Goe to St. Louis in Special Train.

ST. Louis, March 6.- In order to spend her birthday with her husband, Nat C. Goodwin, Maxine Elliott, the actress, came spread to the upper floor. Mrs. Savoie occupied a bedroom on the ground floor, and escaped. The four boys slept on the second floor, and Joseph, aged 26; Thaddeus, aged 16, and John, aged 12, perished.

New Star Coming for Conried.

Herr Christians, another star engaged by Heinrich Conried in Germany for the Irving Place Theatre, is due to arrive on the Kaiser Wilhelm II. to-morrow. He will make his debut with the stock company. to St. Louis from Milwaukee this morning

PUBLICATIONS.

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INCLINED PLANE FOR BOATS. Plan to Do Away With the Fatal Clifton Avenue Grade Crossing in Newark.

Plans were examined and approved on Saturday by Lackawanna Railroad engineers and city officials of Newark for the depression of the tracks of the Morris and Essex branch of the Lackawanna between Roseville and the point in Newark where the present elevation of tracks begins. The movement is hastened by the desire of the people, city officials, the steam railroad corporation and the trolley management to io away with the crossing at Clifton avenue, where nine high school pupils were killed last year and where frequent

accidents have since occurred. The only persons who have not agreed to take up any plan to remedy the trouble are the representatives of the Lehigh Val-ley Railroad Company, lessees of the Morris Canal. This company desires to abandon the canal for navigation purposes, but to retain the valuable property. The Lackawanna tracks cross the practically abandoned canal a few hundred yards west of the Clifton avenue crossing, and it is impossible for the steam road to be depressed without removing the canal removing the canal.

The plan which was discussed and ap-

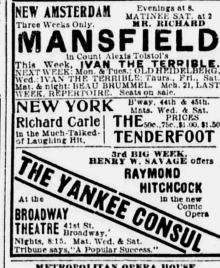
proved on Saturday is to build an inclined plane and carry over the Lackawanna steam railroad and the Orange street trolley tracks, which are parallel, such canal boats as may hereafter be run. More than a score of such inclined planes existalong the route of the canal, the boats being built in two parts, joined with hinges, so that they ac-commodate themselves to this mode of travel. These inclined planes were put in operation nearly seventy years ago, and are said to be the first cable roads ever successfully worked. The estimate for this new plane is \$25,000, and the trolley and steam railroad companies signify a willing-ness to pay the cost, but the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company has made no sign of

HARTIGAN'S STABLEMAN KILLED. Found Dead in a Ditch Under a Horse He

Had Been Driving. Morristown, N. J., March 6.-James Roach, a stableman employed on the farm of Hubert Hartigan, who, as coachman for President Granville W. Garth of the Mechanics' National Bank of New York, gained some publicity at the time of Mr. Garth's suicide, was killed here early this

norning. He and a farmhand known only as Jim He and a farmhand known only as Jim started out late last night in a runabout to meet some of Hartigan's friends, who were to arrive on the 12:22 train at Madison. No one met the party. Searchers found Roach dead under the horse in a ditch on the Madison and Whippany road. The horse had evidently overturned the runabout and had fallen in such a way as to smother Roach. The stableman's companion, Jim, has not been seen since the accident.

AMUSEMENTS.



METROPOLITAN OPERA HOUSE.

Under direction of Mr. Heinrich Conried.
Wed. Evg., March 9, at 7:30—(3d Perf. Der Ring
des Nibelungen)—SIEGFRIED. Ternina, Waiker,
Lemon; Burgstaller, Van Rooy, Goritz, Reiss,
Blass. Conductor, Motti.
Thurs. Evg., March 10, at 7:30—(4th Perf. Der
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MERUNG. Gadski, Weed, Homer, Seygard, Ralph;
Kraus, Blass, Muhlmann. Conductor, Hertz.
MATHEE CYCLE of "DER RING DES NIBELUNGEN" April 18, 20, 22, 25. "PARSIFAL" Matinee, April 23, at 11:30. Seats are now on sale at
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